

FISCAL NOTE

SB 348 - HB 1472

March 3, 2003

SUMMARY OF BILL: Specifies that provisions exempting industrial, commercial or other business establishments from zoning changes that occur after they have been in operation do not apply in the following instances:

- if business ceased to operate for a period of 12 continuous months, then any use proposed for the site after 12 months must conform to existing zoning regulations.
- to an on-site sign located on the premises of the business. Such sign shall be made to conform to zoning regulations no later than 12 months after notification of the sign's nonconformance. Business shall be notified by registered return receipt mail of the sign's noncompliance.
- to an off-site sign advertising or giving directions to the business. Such sign shall be made to comply with existing zoning regulations no later than seven years after notification of the sign's nonconformance. Business shall be notified by registered return receipt mail of the sign's nonconformance. If off-site sign is damaged or destroyed and the cost of repair is 50% of replacement value, the sign can not be rebuilt unless it conforms to existing zoning regulations.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant

Estimate assumes a not significant increase in local government expenditures for administrative costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill, including the cost of proper notification of businesses.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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